

COUNCIL CHAMBERS -- CITY COUNCIL  
CITY HALL --- CITY OF LODI  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1942

REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday, August 5, 1942, 8:00 P.M.

COUNCILMEN PRESENT - COFFIELD: W.J., RIGGS: W. E., RINN: ROBERT H., WEIHE: O.A.,  
BULL: C.B. (Mayor)

COUNCILMEN ABSENT - None.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - Minutes of last preceeding meeting held July 15, 1942 were read at length by the Clerk, approved without correction and so endorsed by the Mayor.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - No persons appearing, this order of business was passed.

COMMUNICATIONS - Notice of cancellation of the City's contract with the Electric Home and Farm Authority dated November 15, 1937 was received from the Director of the Authority, such cancellation, as provided in the contract, to be effective on thirty days notice or, as of August 22, 1942.

A letter addressed to Mayor Bull from the Commanding Officer at Lathrop Holding and Reconsignment Point asking that Charles L. Sherman, Fireman, be granted leave of absence for duration of the war plus six months was read. Fire Chief May stated that Mr Sherman had been appointed Chief of the Fire Department at the Lathrop warehouses without any solicitation on his (Sherman's) part. On motion of Councilman Riggs, Weihe second, leave of absence was granted Mr Sherman for one year, this being the maximum time allowed under the Personnel System rules for such leave, it being understood that Sherman could apply at the end of this year for renewal of leave providing that the war emergency still obtained. The leave granted to begin after August 5th.

REPORTS - At this time Mr W.H. Thompson and Mr A.W. Marquardt of the Board of Trustees of Lodi Public Library, accompanied by Amy L. Boynton, City Librarian, presented the Annual Report of Lodi Public Library and a budget request for funds for the tax year 1942-43. The report was ordered received and the request laid over for consideration later in the evening.

The Report of the Chief of Police for the month of July and that of the City Poindmaster for the same period were received, read and ordered filed.

Mayor Bull reported orally on a meeting of himself and Mr Singer of the City Engineer's Department with the Board of Supervisors of San Joaquin County held July 30th wherein the Cities of Lodi, Stockton, Tracy and Manteca asked some allocation of County Highway moneys to City Streets as set forth in Resolution No 1139 adopted July 15, 1942.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -

The Finance Committee, through Councilman Rinn recommended that only a "cash audit" of the City's books be had this year and that the selected auditor give consideration to the small amount of work necessary to prove the tax rolls of the two fiscal years under consideration in computing his charge for the work.

The City Clerk submitted a tentative "war damage" insurance policy application and on motion of Councilman Rinn, Riggs second, the Clerk was directed to take out a policy in the amount of \$290,000, premium \$570.00 based on a 50% valuation.

NEW BUSINESS -

Call of the annual conference of the League of California Cities to be held in Los Angeles September 21 to 24th was received. The Mayor urged all Councilmen to attend if possible.

The recommendation of the Board of Review that the classification of Police Sergeant be established in the Police Department was laid over to be considered later in the meeting.

At the order of the Mayor, none dissenting, the City Engineer was named "Salvage Officer" of the City

Renewal of the co-operative agreement with the U.S. Geological Survey was directed for the year 1942-43 on motion of Councilman Coffield, Riggs second.

Dr Hugh J. Bolinger resigned as Trustee of San Joaquin Local Health District and Dr Arthur C. Boehmer was appointed to fill his unexpired term of office by the adoption of Resolution No. 1139 introduced by Mayor Bull, Riggs second and carried by unanimous vote of all members of the City Council.

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(minutes of Aug 5, 1942, cont.)

At this time Chief of Police C.S. Jackson presented a proposed "Police Manual" prescribing rules and regulations for government of the Police Department, stating that copies had been placed in the hands of all Councilmen previously. This manual was approved and adopted for its intended purpose by the adoption of Resolution No. 1140 introduced by Councilman Weihe, Coffield second and carried by unanimous vote. Chief Jackson also recommended that two sergeancies be established in his department. The consideration of the recommendation of the Board of Review to the same effect agreeing with Mr Jackson's request, the Council ordered the positions established and that examinations therefore be held by the Personnel Clerk.

Mr Jackson also asked that Walter A. Smith, now serving part time in the Police Department be promoted to Patrolman, first grade and that Maxine Salisbury, working now on an hourly rate be retained. Request approved on motion of Councilman Weihe, Coffield second.

The Clerk having furnished each Councilman with information regarding the City's probable income for the fiscal year 1942-43 together with estimates of the amounts necessary to be raised for Library and Bond Redemption and Interest purposes, the tax rate for that year was set by the introduction of:

ORDINANCE NO 282 - AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1942, introduced on motion of Councilman Weihe, Coffield second and by the same motion, ordered laid over for the statutory period of not less than five days.

No objection was offered to the proposed transfer of an alcoholic beverage license from R.B. Lehr to Walter Lehr at 118½ N. Cherokee Lane.

License applications Nos 398 to 401 inclusive were received, read and ordered to take the prescribed course

The claim of C.W. Knapp for damage to his auto top by a street tree limb was referred to the City Attorney.

The Clerk was directed to forward the claim of Dr J.J. Seibel for \$26.00 for services rendered to Edward Clinton, a minor, injured by electric wires at the City Baths, to the City's insurance carrier.

City Engineer Henning asked that his report on his attendance at the "Stanford University Work Shop" during the past six weeks be postponed to Wednesday, next at 8 o'clock P.M., inviting the Council to be present at his home on Walnut Street at that time.

Claims as approved by the Finance Committee amounting to \$30,879.88, including \$570.00 premium on war damage insurance were approved by motion of Councilman Weihe, Riggs second.

Fire Chief Earl May asked that Victor L. Galbraith be appointed from the eligible list established by due examination, as a Fireman for the probationary period of six months to serve during the absence of Charles L. Sherman, on leave. On motion of Councilman Rinn, Weihe second, Mr Galbraith was so appointed, his employment to begin August 10, 1942 at the entrance salary of \$ 145.00


Mr J.A. Henning, Supt. of Public Utilities recommended that an agreement be drawn for use of city water on 5½ acres belonging to A. Frey adjoining the City pump on the corner of Stockton Street and Kettleman Lane, Frey to pay \$60.00 per year for irrigation water.

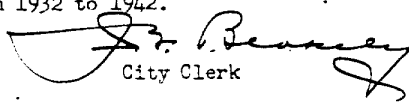
On motion of Councilman Coffield, Riggs second, the Chief of Police was directed to abate the nuisance caused by milk trucks of E.W. Tretheway, SW cor Rose & Elm Streets.

City Attorney Glenn West reported that he had taken an appeal from the judgement rendered in Superior Court in Shealor vs City of Lodi.

On motion made by Mayor Bull, seconded by Councilman Coffield and concurred in by all members of the City Council, the City Council then adjourned in respect to the memory of George M. Steele who died this morning after having served the City in many important capacities since the incorporation of the City in 1906, particularly as Mayor for ten years from 1932 to 1942.

Approved:

  
Mayor

  
City Clerk